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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Austin SMITH et al.)
Serial No. 09/686,880) Group Art Unit: 1636
Filed: Concurrently herewith) Examiner: K. Katcherer
For: LINEAGE SPECIFIC CELLS)
AND PROGENITOR CELLS)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination of the above captioned application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-20 and 22-41 without prejudice and add claims 42-65 as follows.

Sub 0 42. A method for generating a culture that is purified or enriched in respect of cells of a selected lineage, comprising:-
(i) introducing into a multipotential cell a selectable marker that is differentially expressed in cells of the selected lineage compared with its expression in other cells, wherein cells of the selected lineage constitute a sub-set of the cells obtainable from the multipotential cell;